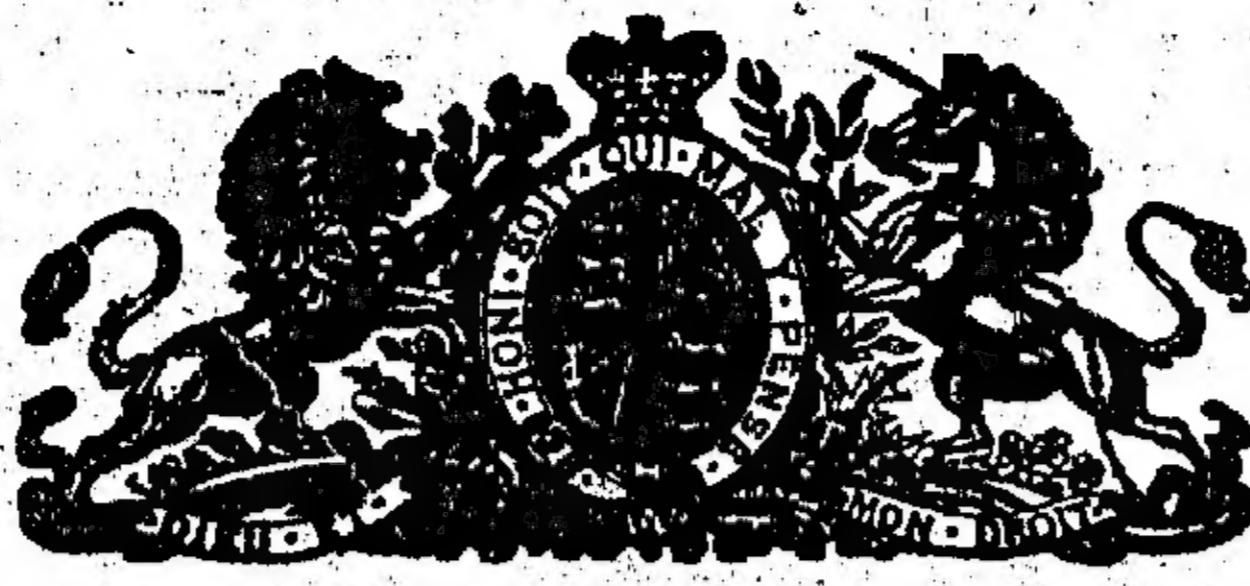


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DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS begs to say that he intends VISITING Amoy and Foochow, leaving Hongkong September 15th, and returning November 1st.

Hongkong, August 21, 1878.

Hongkong, November 7, 1878.

Auctions.

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THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

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Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 13th November, 1878. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

L. HENNEQUIN,
Adg. Agent.

Hongkong, November 1, 1878. no12

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PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
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Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

REDUCTION OF TWENTY FIVE
CENT from Regular Rates is granted to OFFICERS OF THE ARMY AND NAVY, and MEMBERS OF THE CIVIL AND CONSULAR SERVICES IN COMMISION.

Freight will be received on board until 6 p.m. of 14th November. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consignees to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 3, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, October 23, 1878. no15

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IN CONNECTION WITH THE
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AND
ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "BELGIO" will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on or about MONDAY, the 2nd December, at 8 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. of the 1st December. PARCEL
PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 8 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

A Reduction is made on RETURN
TICKETS.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, November 2, 1878. no2

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FU-SHOU; or, THE BUSINESS OF
NATURAL SCIENCE IN CHINA. By Dr.
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\$150.

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Orders will be received by Messrs. MEYER & CO.,
Hongkong, July 31, 1878.

Notices to Consignees.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Glenroy having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods—with the exception of Opium—are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 2 o'clock To-day.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 14th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, November 7, 1878. no14

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Venice having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, November 5, 1878. no12

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship Japan, Captain T. S. GARDNER, having arrived from the above Port, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding her discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

DAVID SASOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, November 5, 1878. no12

FROM LONDON, AND PORTS
OF CALL.

THE British Steamer Flintshire having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are hereby landed at their risk and stored in the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 18th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JAMES, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents, British Steamer Flintshire.

Hongkong, November 4, 1878. no11

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

S. S. AMAZONE.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. AMAZONE, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignee, before To-day, the 31st Inst., at 2 p.m., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after THURSDAY, the 7th November, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

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L. HENNEQUIN,
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Hongkong, October 31, 1878.

SAILOR'S HOME.

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Papers, will be thankfully received
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Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

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Hongkong, January 1, 1878.

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SOCIETY OF THE
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Hongkong, October 17, 1878.

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OLYPHANT & Co.,
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Hongkong, April 17, 1878.

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HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Hongkong, October 14, 1869.

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THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

MELCHERS & Co.,
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Hongkong, October 27, 1878.

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of
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Shanghai, October 10, 1878. no14

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July 25th, 1877.

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To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL,
HONGKONG.

LAST NIGHT OF
"THE HARP IN THE AIR."
LAST NIGHT OF
"OF FAIRY WAND HAD I THE POWER."
LAST NIGHT OF
"ALAS! THOSE CHIMES."

LAST NIGHT OF
"LET ME LIKE A SOLDIER FALL."

LAST NIGHT OF
"TURN OF OLD TIME."

LAST NIGHT OF
"SAINTED MOTHER."

LAST NIGHT OF
"O' MARITANA."

LAST NIGHT OF
"THERE IS A FLOWER THAT BLOOMETH."

LAST NIGHT OF
"IN HAPPY MOMENTS."

THIS EVENING,
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for, Mr. G. ADAMS.
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Pit, One Dollar.

Ladies unaccompanied by Gentlemen
admitted.

Hongkong, November 9, 1878. no10

FOR SHANGHAI.
The Steamship
"NINGPO,"
R. CASS, Master, will be despatched for the above Port To-
MORROW, the 10th Instant, at 10 a.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, November 9, 1878. no10

FOR AMOY.
The Steamship
"DIAMANTE,"
Captain THEBAUD, will be despatched for the above Port on MONDAY, the 11th Instant, at 5 o'clock p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, November 9, 1878. no11

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.
The Spanish Steamer
"EMUY,"

BLANCO, Master, will be despatched on MONDAY Next,
the 11th Instant, at 5 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
REMEDIOS & Co.
Hongkong, November 9, 1878. no11

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OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING
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PEKING will be despatched for San
Francisco, via Yokohama on SATURDAY,
the 16th Instant, at 3 o'clock p.m., taking
Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the
United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-
portation to Yokohama and other Japan
Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and
Inland Cities of the United States via Over-
land Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and
Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central
and South America by the Company's and
connecting Steamers.

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England, France, and Germany by all
trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

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a REDUCTION OF TWENTY PER
CENT from Regular Rates is granted to
OFFICERS OF THE ARMY AND NAVY,
and MEMBERS OF THE CIVIL and
CONSULAR SERVICES in COMMIS-
SION.

Freight will be received on board until
4 p.m., of 16th Instant. Parcel Packages
will be received at the office until 5 p.m.
each day; all Parcel Packages should be
marked to address in full; value of same
is required.

Consular invoices to accompany Overland
Cargo should be sent to the Company's
Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the
Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 9, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, November 9, 1878. no12

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.
The Steamship
"DOUGLAS"
will be despatched for the
above Ports on WEDNES-
DAY, the 13th Instant, at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, November 9, 1878. no13

FOR HOIHOW.
The Steamship
"ALBAY,"
Capt. F. ASHTON, will be de-
spatched for the above Port
on WEDNESDAY, the 13th Instant, at
Daylight.
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Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agent, nor
Owners will be Responsible for any
Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew
of the following Vessels, during their stay
in Hongkong Harbour:

IMPERATORIC ELISABETTA, Austrian ship,
Capt. Hrglich.—D. MUSSO & Co.

GLAMIS, British bark, Captain Key.—
Russell & Co.

LOD MAGAULAY, British barque, Capt.
R. B. Monkman.—Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.

FONTENAYE, British ship, Capt. Geo. B.
Taylor.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

SPINAWAY, Brit. barque, Capt. Pringle.—
Siemsen & Co.

COMMISSIONER, British ship, Captain A.
Morison.—Meyer & Co.

PEINHO, German barque, Captain O.
Christianson.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

GITANILLA, British barque, Captain
Wallace.—Captain.

ALEPPO, British barque, Captain Robert
Falconer.—Captain.

FANNY, French barque, Captain E. M.
Gouyo.—Landstein & Co.

Not Responsible for Debts of Crew:

HERAT, British ship, Captain Chas.
Robertson.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Nov. 9. Douglas, British steamer, 864,
G. D. Pitman, Foochow Nov. 6, Amoy 7,
and Swatow 8. General—DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Nov. 9. Diamante, British steamer, 514,
E. Thebaud, Manila Nov. 6, General—
RUSSELL & Co.

Nov. 9. Fuyew, Chinese steamer, from
Canton.

Nov. 9. Ningpo, British steamer, from
Canton.

Nov. 9. Albay, British steamer, 866, F.
Ashton, Hoihow Nov. 7, General—DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Nov. 9. U. S. S. Alert, 541, Robert Boyd,
Augt. 22.

Nov. 9. J. L. G. D. German brig, 242, A. H. Krone, Nagasaki Oct. 31,
Rice.—Wieler & Co.

Nov. 9. Wedan, German barque, 439,
A. W. Moeser, Bindah Oct. 22, Salt.—
Wieler & Co.

Nov. 9. Lulu, British 3-m. schooner, 378,
Maber, Newchwang Oct. 19, and Amoy

Nov. 6. General—MASTER.

Nov. 9. Elizabeth Childs, British barque, 391,
C. E. Linneberg, Newchwang Oct. 28,
Beans.—Wieler & Co.

Nov. 9. Emily Chaplin, British ship, 733,
G. E. Harris, Cardiff June 14, Coal—
MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Nov. 9. Fanny, French barque, 314, E.
M. Gouyon, Swatow Nov. 8, 6 p.m., Bal-
last.—LANDSTEIN & Co.

DEPARTURES.

Nov. 9. India, for Maximiliano.

9. Borneo, for Calao.

9. Hammonia, for Yokohama.

9. Pandur, for London.

9. Anton Günther, for Bangkok.

9. U. S. S. Ranger, for Nagasaki.

9. Vesta, for Amoy.

Cleared.

Education, for Singapore, &c.

Charlton, for Sydney, &c.

Yotung, for Swatow.

Conquest, for Hoihow, &c.

Chanel Queen, for Chusan.

R. M. Hayward, for Saigon.

Emulsion, for Nagasaki.

Iphigenia, for Amoy.

Fuyew, for Shanghai.

Ningpo, for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Douglas, from Coast Ports, Mrs.

Manson, child and maid, Mrs. O'Malley,

Rev. C. Rutherford, Capt. Colling, Dr.

Bretton, Mr. Pavenstedt, 10 Europeans

deck, and 211 Chinese.

Per Diamante, from Manila, Mrs. A. G.

Morris and 2 children, Miss Hall, Messrs

Chas. E. Hay, A. G. Morris, W. Marx,

Mrs Gordon, 7 European deck, and 266

Chinese.

Per Albay, from Hoihow, 70 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per Feso, for Amoy, Mr. K. A. Tomyama.

Per Hammonia, for Yokohama, 8. Chi-

nease.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Douglas reports:

Left Foochow Nov. 6th, Amoy 7th, and

Swatow 8th. Had light variable winds to

Amoy. From thence fresh monsoon and

cloudy. Passed E. M. S. Swinger near

Sharp Point, Point towards Foochow,

and S. S. Yeo off Tongmi Point. In

Foochow 7th Nov., having experienced

fresh North-easterly winds and fine wa-

ter throughout.

The British 3-masted schooner Lulu re-

ports: Fair weather up to 23rd Oct., from

thence to Amoy heavy Northerly gale with

high sea; from Amoy to port light N.E.

breeze and pleasant weather.

The British ship Elizabeth Childs reports:

Left Foochow 8th Nov., spoke Anna Fish (American) from

10 a.m.—Ningpo leaves for Shanghai.

New York to Shanghai, in lat. 57 N., long.
119.4 E.; Nov. 2nd, I. L. Q. P. (American)
from New York to Shanghai, 146 days out,
in lat. 18.55 N., long. 120.10 E.

The French barque Fanny reports:

Light winds throughout the passage.

MEMOS FOR MONDAY.

AUCTIONS.

1 p.m.—Sale of Kerosene Oil, at Messrs

Laudate & Co.'s Godown, Wanchoo.

3 p.m.—Sale of Kerosene Oil, at Messrs

Davis & Co.'s Godown, Wanchoo.

Shipping.

2 p.m.—Java leaves for Singapore, &c.

5 p.m.—Diamond leaves for Amoy.

6 p.m.—Envoy leaves for Amoy, &c.

Goods per Blantyre undelivered after

this date subject to rent.

Meeting.

2.30 p.m.—Meeting of the Legislative

Council.

POSTAL RATES.

[Subjoined we give the postal rates now in force for transmission of correspondence to all parts of the world. Detailed rules affecting the transmission of packets, parcels, &c., will be found annexed, together with a number of miscellaneous and useful notices.]

Hongkong Rates of Postage.

(Revised June 7th, 1878.)

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are, for Letters, per half ounce, for Books and Patterns, per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double, treble, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packets of papers may be sent at Book Rate. Two Newspapers must not be folded together as one, nor must anything whatever be inserted except bona fide Supplements. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed, if the whole be paid at Book Rate. Prices Current may be paid either as Newspapers or Books.

N.R. means No Registration.

Countries of the Postal Union.

The Union may be taken to comprise Europe, the United States, Canada, Brazil, India (including Ceylon), the Straits, and Aden; Japan, Egypt, Lebanon, Mauritius, Seychelles, Jamaica, Trinidad, British Guiana, and Bermuda, with all French, Danish, Netherlands, Portuguese, and Spanish Colonies.

Countries not in the Union.—The chief countries not in the Union are:—The Australasian Group, Africa (except French, &c., Colonies), Newfoundland and Central America.

Postage to Union Countries.

General Rates, by any route:—
Letters, 12 cents per $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.
Registration, 8 cents.
Newspapers, 2 cents each.
Books and Patterns, 4 cents per 2 oz.

Exceptional rates, to the United Kingdom and Union Countries served through the United Kingdom via British only:—
Letters, 18 cents per $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.
Registration, 8 cents.
Newspapers, 4 cents each.
Books and Patterns, 6 cents per 2 oz.

There is no charge on redirected correspondence within the Postal Union.

Postage to Non-Union Countries.

W. Africa, Falkland Islands, Lagos, Gold Coast, Liberia, Sierra Leone, Gambia, Cape Verd Islands:—
Via San Francisco, Via S. Hampton, Via Marseilles, Brindisi

Letters, — 22 26
Registration, — 12 12
Newspapers, — 4 6
Books & Patterns, — 8 10

Aspinwall (n.r.), Bahamas, Guatemala (n.r.), Hayti (n.r.), Mexico (n.r.), Panama (n.r.), Salvador (n.r.), and Venezuela (n.r.):—
Letters, 16 34 38
Registration, None 12 12
Newspapers, 4 4 6
Books & Patterns, 6 8 10

Bolivia, Chili, Ecuador, and Peru:—
Letters, 30 46 50
Newspapers, 6 6 8
Books & Patterns, 14 10 12
Registration, 12 None None

Hawaiian Kingdom (n.r.), Newfoundland:—
Letters, 16 16 20
Registration, 12 12 12
Newspapers, 4* 4 6
Books & Patterns, 8* 6 8

W. Indies (except as above) Costa Rica, Honduras, Monte Video, New Granada, and Nicaragua:—
Letters, — 34 38
Newspapers, — 4 6
Books & Patterns, — 8 10
Registration to British & Union:— 8 8

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Natal, Cape, St. Helena, Ascension.

Letters, by Contract Packet 24; by Private Ship 12, Registration, 12; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 4.

A small extra charge is made on delivery.

Correspondence for the West Indies (except those belonging to the Postal Union, the Bahamas, and Hayti), for Costa Rica, Honduras, Monte Video, New Granada, Paraguay, and Uruguay can no longer be sent via San Francisco.

LOCAL AND TOWN POSTAGE.

	Letters	Registration	Newspapers	Books & Pictures	Per 2 oz.
Within any Town or Settlement, or between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao, in either direction:—	2	8	2	2	
Between any other two of the following places (through a British Office) viz.:—Hongkong, Macao, Ports of China and Japan, Bangkok, Saigon, and the Philippines, by Private Ship:—	4	8	2	2	
Between the above by Contract Mail:—	8	8	2	4	

Any publication fulfilling the conditions hereafter named can pass as a newspaper.

The conditions are as follows:—

1st. The publication must consist wholly or in great part of political or other news, or of articles relating thereto, or to other current topics, with or without advertisements.

2nd. It must be published in numbers at intervals of not more than 31 days, and

must be printed on a sheet or sheets unstitched.

3rd. The full title and date of publication must be printed at the top of the first page, and the whole or part of the title and the date of publication at the top of every subsequent page; and this regulation applies to Table of Contents and Indices.

4th. A supplement must consist wholly or in great part of matter like that of a newspaper, or of advertisements, printed on a sheet or sheets, or a piece or pieces of paper, unstitched; or wholly or in part of engravings, prints, or lithographs illustrative of articles in the newspaper. The supplement must in every case be published with the newspaper, and must have the title and date of publication of the newspaper printed at the top of every page; or, if it consists of engravings, prints, or lithographs, at the top of every sheet or side.

A packet containing two or more newspapers is not chargeable with a higher rate of postage than would be chargeable on a book packet of the same weight.

The postage must be prepaid either by an adhesive stamp, or by the use of a stamped wrapper.

Every newspaper must be posted either without a cover (in which case it must not be fastened, whether by means of gum, wafer, sealing wax, postage stamp, or otherwise) or in a cover entirely open at both ends, so as to admit of easy removal for examination. If this rule be infringed the newspaper is treated as a letter.

Every newspaper must be so folded, as to admit of the title being readily inscribed.

A newspaper or packet of newspapers which contains any enclosure except supplements is charged as a letter, unless the enclosure be such as might be sent at the book rate of postage, and the entire packet sufficiently prepaid as a book packet, in which case it is allowed to pass.

A newspaper which has any letter, or any communication of the nature of a letter, written in it or upon its cover, is charged as an unpaid or insufficiently paid letter.

No packet of newspapers may be above 5 lbs. in weight, nor above two feet in length, one foot in width, nor one in depth.

A book-packet may contain any number of separate books or other publications (including printed or lithographed letters), photographs (when not on glass or in cases containing glass or any like substance), drawings, prints, or maps, and any quantity of paper, or any other substance in ordinary use for writing or printing upon; and the books or other publications, prints, maps, &c., may be either printed, written, engraved, lithographed, or plain, or any mixture of these. Further, all legitimate binding, mounting, or covering of a book, &c., or of a portion thereof, is allowed, whether such binding, &c., be loose or attached; as also rollers in the case of prints or maps, markers (whether of paper or otherwise) in the case of books, pens or pencils in the case of pocket-books, &c., and, in short, whatever is necessary for the safe transmission of such articles, or usually appertaining thereto; but the binding, rollers, &c., must not be sent as a separate packet.

Boxholders who desire to send Circulars, Dividend Warrants, Invitations, Cards, &c., all of the same weight, to addresses in Hongkong, Bangkok, or the Ports of China and Japan, may deliver them to the Post Office unmarked, the postage being then charged to the sender's account. Each batch must consist of at least ten.

Boxholders may also send Patterns to the same places in the same way. Envelopes containing Patterns may be wholly closed if the nature of the contents be first exhibited, or stated to the Postmaster General, as he may consider necessary, and approved by him. Printed Circulars may be inserted in such Pattern Packets.

Local Parcel Post.

1. Small Parcels may be sent by Post between any of the British Post Offices in China or Japan, as well as to Macao, Pekin, Singapore, Penang, and Malacca.

They must not exceed the following dimensions, 2 feet long, 1 foot broad, 1 foot deep, not weighing more than 5 lbs. The postage will be 20 cents per lb., which will include Registration. The parcels may be wholly closed if they bear this special endorsement, PARCEL, CONTAINING NO LETTERS, but any parcel may be opened by direction of the Postmaster General.

2. The following cannot be transmitted:—Parcels insufficiently packed or protected, or liable to be crushed (as bandboxes, &c.) Glass, Liquids, Explosive substances, Matches, Indigo, Dyestuffs, Ice, Meat, Fish, Game, Fruit, Vegetables, or whatever is dangerous to the Mails or likely to become offensive or injurious in transit.

3. Parcels will as a general rule be forwarded by Private Ship, not by Contract Mail Packet. The Post Office reserves the right of selecting the opportunity for transmission, and of delaying delivery in case the number of parcels in such as to retard other correspondence. No responsibility is accepted with regard to any parcel, but the system of Registration will secure the sender against any but a very remote probability of loss.

4. The public are cautioned not to confound these facilities with a Parcel Post to Europe, &c., which does not exist.

Mails exchanged with Manila and Saigon.

The Philippine Islands being now admitted into the General Postal Union, it follows that all paid correspondence received from Manila to the Mails will be delivered free by this Office, and that all paid correspondence sent to Manila to the Mails should be delivered free there.

Article IX of the Postal Treaty of Berne provides that "Neither the sender nor the addressee of letters and other postal packets shall be called upon to pay, either in the Country of Origin, or in that of Destination, any tax or duty other than that recognised rates levied (in the case of paid correspondence) by the despatching Office." It is hoped that any extra charge, or apparently extra charge, will at once be brought to the notice of the proper authorities, in either Colony.

The above does not apply in any to loose letters sent outside the mails. These will always be charged on arrival in Hongkong and probably the Manila Office will adopt the same course.

Complaints are sometimes received of extra charges on correspondence exchanged between this Colony and Saigon, but it is believed it would be found in all cases that the letters, &c., had been sent loose.

Any Foreign stamp on loose correspondence are obliterated in this Office.

Indian Correspondence.

There must be no writing or painting upon or in any packet except the address of the person for whom it is intended, the address of the sender, a trade mark or number, and the price of the articles.

The rule which forbids the transmission through the Post of any article likely to injure the contents of the Mail Bag or Boxes, or of the person of any Officer of the Post Office is, of course, applicable to the Pattern Post; and a packet containing anything of the kind will be stopped, and not sent to its destination. Articles such as

the following have been occasionally posted as Patterns, and have been detained as unfit for the Post, viz: Metal boxes, porcelain and China, fruit, vegetables, bunches of flowers, cuttings of plants, spurs, knives, scissars, needles, pins, pieces of machinery, sharp pointed instruments, samples of metals, samples of ore, samples in glass bottles, pieces of glass, acids of various kinds, curry combs, copper and steel engraving plates, and confectionery or all kinds.

Such articles as scissors, knives, razors, steel pens, nails, keys, watch machinery, metal tubing, pieces of metal or iron, provided that they be packed and guarded in so secure a manner as to afford complete protection to the contents of the mail bags and to the Officers of the Post Office, while at the same time they may be easily examined, may be sent as samples.

Hongkong stamps will prepay this class of correspondence exactly the same as Imperial Stamps.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Letters.

Private in H. M. Army or Navy, Non-commissioned Officers, Army Schoolmasters (not superintending or First Class) or Schoolmistresses may send half-ounce letters to the United Kingdom via Southampton by British Packet, for one penny; or via Brindisi by British Packet for three-pence.

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Soldiers' and Sailors' letters are, however, charged as ordinary letters if they do not conform to the following regulations:—

1. Not to exceed half an ounce. No double letters are allowed.

2. If from a Soldier or Sailor, his class or description must be stated in full on the letter, and the commanding Officer must sign his name, with name of Regiment, or Ship, &c., in full.

3. If to a Soldier or Sailor, his class or description must be stated in full, with name of Regiment, or Ship, &c., in full.

4. The following articles cannot be sent by Post at all: Glass, Liquids, Gunpowder, Matches, Candles, Soap, Indigo, Dye-stuffs, or whatever is dangerous to the Mails, or offensive or injurious to persons dealing with them.

PARCELS.—The public is reminded that,

there is no such thing as a Parcel Post to Europe, &c. Much trouble and disappointment is caused by persistent attempts to send small valuable trifles through the Post.

Fans, Curios, Articles of Dress, Fan-work, and similar presents are continually being refused the senders having

often spent more in Postage than would

have paid the freight by sea. No refund can be made on such parcels of the value of Stamps obliterated before the

name of the contents was discovered.

PATTERNS.—Some difficulty is experienced

in obtaining a general understanding of what is a Pattern. It is a *bold face sample* of goods which the sender has for sale, or

of goods which he wishes to order. It is

to consist of the smallest possible quantity compatible with shewing what the goods are, and must have no intrinsic value.

Communication with Batavia.

The Netherlands India Packets leave Singapore fortnightly, and are fitted to the arrival of the outward P. & O. Mail from Europe.

The French Packets for Batavia wait at Singapore for the Packet from China and run fortnightly.

It allows that, to forward Correspondence to Batavia with the least delay, the following are the best opportunities:—

In the S.W. Monsoon.

The English Mail.

In the N.E. Monsoon.

A Private Steamer a few days before the English Mail.

The French Mail.

The Post Office is the greatest possible facilities for posting Correspondence for Europe, &c., up to the latest moment before the departure of the French Packets, arrangements have been made for receiving at the Post Office late letters—*except those from 11.10 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.* Each letter must bear a late fee of 18 cents extra postage.

The above arrangement is intended to meet occasional emergencies, and not for the regular posting of extensive correspondence. Should it be found, therefore, that large and unmanageable numbers of letters are habitually thrown upon the Department at the last moment, a heavier late fee will be imposed.

A similar supplementary Mail will be made up for Shanghai by the English and French Contract Steamers, the late letters being received from 10 minutes after, up to

half past 12, so as to admit of easy removal for examination.

If this rule be infringed the newspaper is treated as a letter.

Every newspaper must be so folded, as to admit of the title being readily inscribed.

A newspaper or packet of newspapers which contains any enclosure except supplements is charged as a letter, unless the enclosure be such as might be sent at the book rate of postage, and the entire packet sufficiently prepaid as a book packet, in which case it is allowed to pass.

A newspaper which has any letter, or any communication of the nature of a letter, written in it or upon its cover, is charged as an unpaid or insufficiently paid letter.

No packet of newspapers may be above 5 lbs. in weight, nor above two feet in length, one foot in width, nor one in depth.

A book-packet may contain any number of separate books or other publications (including printed or lithographed letters), photographs (when not on glass or in cases containing glass or any like substance), drawings, prints, or maps, and any quantity of paper, or any other substance in ordinary use for writing or printing upon; and the books or other publications, prints, maps, &c., may be either printed, written, engraved, lithographed, or plain, or any mixture of these. Further, all legitimate binding, mounting, or covering of a book, &c., or of a portion thereof, is allowed, whether such binding, &c., be loose or attached; as also rollers in the case of prints or maps, markers (whether of paper or otherwise) in the case of books, pens or pencils in the case of pocket-books, &c., and, in short, whatever is necessary for the safe transmission of such articles, or usually appertaining thereto; but the binding, rollers, &c., must not be sent as a separate packet.

Boxholders who desire to send Circulars, Dividend Warrants, Invitations, Cards, &c., all of the same weight, to addresses in Hongkong, Bangkok, or the Ports of China and Japan, may deliver them to the Post Office unmarked, the postage being then charged to the sender's account

